



BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE

**RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING
WED., NOVEMBER 28, 2018 AT 7:00PM**

MINUTES

MEETING TO ORDER: 7:10pm

ROLL CALL: Ken Krautheim, Lauren Cerullo, Carlo Rebosio, and Carolyn Baldanza

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Lauren Cerullo motion to approve, Carlo 2nd, all in favor (may need to approve again)

OPEN MEETING TO PUBLIC: None

DIRECTORS REPORT

Review 2019 meeting dates, 3rd Wednesday of each month: 1/16, 2/20, 3/20, 4/24, 5/15, 6/19, 7/17, 8/21 – possibly no meeting, 9/18, 10/16, 11/20, 12-no mtg.

Discussion of the John Lynch's Memorial Bench location. DPW recommended that Veterans Memorial would be a nice location for the Memorial bench because John took much pride in the Veteran's Memorial and statue. Carolyn and Carlo will do a walk through of the space to determine a location.

Discussion of Field Lights schedule at KBG. Teams must communicate through their league commissioner to have the field lights scheduled. If teams are not on the schedule, they do not get the lights. Discussion if the lights should remain on because it's public space. All our parks are open dawn to dusk. The lights should only be on for those with permits.

Discussion on Black Hawks. Black Hawks is an entity under River Dell Soccer Association and should follow the CAC procedures for field permissions. - Field priorities go according to the school's sport seasons.

OLD BUSINESS

Tree Lighting is December 8th: Crafts for the kids, the scouts will carol, no walk this year, hot chocolate and cookies. Donation of hot chocolate from Cool Beans in Oradell.

NEW BUSINESS:

Safe Route Grant to Parks. Safety getting to the parks. Maybe look into getting grant to evaluate KBG. Look into the cul-de-sacs at Memorial Park. ADA and lighting at Brookside.

Discussion of 2019 brochure: Casino Trip 3/10, Easter Egg Hunt 4/13, River Edge Run 4/27, Softball Opening Day 4/6, Mets Game early June, River Edge Day 10/5, Halloween Parade 10/26, Holiday Tree Lightening 12/7

Monthly Awareness ideas:

February – Healthy Heart Awareness

March - Women's History Month

April - Earth Day and Volunteer Appreciation Week

May - National Senior Health & Fitness Day and Employee Health & Fitness Day

July- National Recreation & Parks Month

September - Active Aging Week, National Piano Month

October – National Chili Month (Bon Fire)

Discussion on the mile markers for Memorial Park. These will need to be put down in the Spring. We can introduce it with a special program in the Spring.

Discussion on plaque for Pete Cameron at Little League building. This is pending approval of Mayor & Council.

Update on Budget items:

Personnel proposal for staff for community center starting fall 2019: Full time, Administration Assistant at \$40,000, and two part time Recreation Assistant at \$14/hour

Capital Request: Updating bathrooms at \$10,000 (this may fall under Open Space and will discuss in January), Handicap Access Ramp to Veterans Memorial, AEDs for Camp Building, and Recreation Software.

Open Space Trust Accounts discussion will be in January.

Review of Five Year plan from Maser Report Recommendations: Hockey Rink & Basketball Courts 2019, Cherry Hill Dugout 2020, Cherry Blossom Park 2020 (after drainage resolved), Tennis Courts 2020 & 2023, Roosevelt Sprinkler 2021, Little League Dugout 2022, KBG 2023

Meeting Adjourned 9:13pm: Carlo Rebosio motion to adjourn, Lauren Cerullo 2nd, all in favor.